Raising of Question of Super 301 with President Bush

1809. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 192 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19th July, 1989; and state :

(a) the reasons for not raising the question of Super 301 and Special 301 clauses of the US Act with President George Bush during the recent meeting of the Prime Minister with President Bush in Paris; and

(b) whether it was raised at any other level at Paris meetings in view of the vital significance of this clubbing India with Japan and Brazil for India's trade interests ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) and (b) India has taken the position that it does not intend to negotiate on this issue under the threat of unilateral action under Section 301 of the US Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act 1988. This is well known.

Introduction of double shift systems in the Kendriya Vidyalayas

1810. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether in view of heavy rush for seeking admissions in the Central Schools throughout the country, Government propose to introduce double shift system in all its Central Schools;

(b) if so, by when double shift system is likely to be introduced and the approximate number of students who are likely to get admission; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) to (c) There is no proposal to introduce double shifts in Kendriya Vidyalayas as this is not considered academically sound.

Priorities in admission to the children wards of KVS employees

1811. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMARAO PATIL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details of priorities laid down for admission in Kendriya Vidyalaya for children and wards of teaching and non-teaching staff of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan;

(b) whether the Sangathan is considering any changes therein; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHAKNER) : (a) Children of the staff of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan are admitted to Kendriya Vidyalyas over and above the prescribed class strength.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Electricity from NTPC to the Railways

1812. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Railway Board has asked the Central Government to provide electricity directly from NTPC;

(b) if so, whether the same has been agreed to by the Union Government;

(c) whether any scheme has been suggested by the Railways in this regard; and

(l) if so, what are the details thereof

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a), (c) and (d) The Ministry of Irrigation and power was approached in 1985 regarding